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Welcome to Infocouncil News. This time we are continuing our series 'Heads in the Cloud' to inform you of our plans for moving Infocouncil into the cloud.

As always, we will keep it brief. Thank you for your interest.

All the best,

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Heads in the Cloud part 2

In the last newsletter we confirmed our resolve to offer a cloud version of Infocouncil and we explained that this was going to take some time, for these reasons:

- At present Word Online is significantly less functional than its desktop cousin and our script is unsupported,
- This means that we are going to have to adapt our software for this environment.

We intend to tackle this adaptation in stages. After some technical preliminaries, our focus will shift to providing a version of Infocouncil, locatable on an application server in the cloud, which will operate on any device with Word Online or Word desktop, inside or outside the organisation's firewall. This will allow staff members to author and authorise reports on any smart device.

This first stage achieves very good staff mobility with Infocouncil because the broadest user base is authors and authorisers. It eliminates the need for managing the Infocouncil application on external devices. It can also eliminate the need for managing the Infocouncil application on internal devices, for those members of staff that are authors or authorisers only.

However, to achieve this we will have to offer restricted functionality, because for now we will be constrained by what Word Online supports.

In particular, our ability to edit documents in real time by applying script will be removed or limited. We will use task panes to capture the information, but may not be able to render the information in the document, in the way that we always have.

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	<p>Primarily, for report writers, this will apply to the following forms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Report dialog - The Attachments window - The Confidential Reasons window <p>The user interface will be altered to compensate. We are aiming to deliver these features next year.</p> <p>We will provide details of what follows this stage in our next newsletter.</p>
<p><i>“Mrs. Oscar Maddox is able to be up after being confined to bed for several weeks with malaria fever, to the delight of her friends”</i></p>	<p>Who Needs Grammar continued (courtesy of Auckland Council)</p> <p>Mrs. Oscar Maddox is able to be up after being confined to bed for several weeks with malaria fever, to the delight of her friends. (<i>Thomasville (Georgia) Times-Enterprise</i>)</p> <p>LOST Antique cameo ring, depicting Adam and Eve in Market Square Saturday night. (<i>Ad in Essex paper</i>)</p> <p>The thing that first caught my eye was a large silver cup that Charles had won for skating on the mantelpiece. (<i>Short story</i>)</p> <p>When the baby is done drinking it must be unscrewed and laid in a cool place under a tap. If the baby does not thrive on fresh milk it should be boiled. (<i>Women’s magazine</i>)</p>
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